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Prohibitionist on the liquor question. It is not proper in this review to examine the reasons for this career further than to say that this is the principal theme in the biography. He was a radical, as that term is popularly understood and on all political issues was a generation ahead of the voters. No student of present day politics in the United States but will enjoy this study of the life of General Weaver. In many ways he was the forerunner of Bryan and Wilson.

Legal and Political Status of Women in Iowa. An Historical Account of the Rights of Women in Iowa from 1838 to 1918. By RUTH A. GALLAHER. State Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa City, pp. 300. 1918.

The volume is divided into two parts. In part I the gradual enlargement of the civil rights of women is traced while in part II the growth of political right has been discussed. In this evolution Iowa stands somewhere near midway, not so radical as the states farther west and not so conservative as those farther east. It may be regarded therefore as following closely the public opinion of the nation as a whole. Beginning with the status of women in the common law the author has followed through the legislation of the state on her personal rights, in education, in the professions, in the criminal and divorce laws, property rights and rights in industry. The political rights sought by women are those of voting and holding office, or the broad right of suffrage. This history of the contest in a typical state, coming now when the fight is almost won in the nation is timely and interesting. As in most of the states women are still without the power of the ballot principally because of the difficulty in amending the constitutions. For the same reason Iowa like most of the states will default its duty and thus again the nation will have to supplement the weakening powers of the state.

Switzerland County Days and Ways, by the class of 1920 of Vevay high school is a pamphlet of eight pages, containing a dozen short local sketches and traditions.

Indiana Historical Society Publications Volume VII, No. 3 and 4.

No. 4, *The National Road in Indiana.* By LEE BURNS, a 28 page pamphlet is a well written account. The writer has

had access to the laws relating to the road, the field notes of the surveyors, the reports of its superintendents and has read the literature of the subject. A list of the taverns along the road is given.

Number 3 is *Reminiscences of the Early Marion County Bar*. By WILLIAM WATSON WOOLEN. The pamphlet consists of 24 pages of personal observations and recollections concerning the leading lawyers of Indianapolis from 1825 to 1850. No lengthy biographies are given but the characterizations are excellent.

THE FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION of the Department of Indiana Grand Army of the Republic was held May 6, 7, 8, 1919 at Elkhart, Indiana. One hundred seventeen posts were represented. The total membership of the state was 6620 as compared with 7250 one year previous. The total number of posts was 252. The Roll of Honor (deaths during the year) contained 592 names. The *Proceedings*, a pamphlet of 105 pages, gives the statistics of the order and the speeches and reports made at the meeting.

BULLETIN No. 10, Indiana Historical Commission is a prospectus for county war histories. The work of collecting the records of the war is in charge of John W. Oliver and Lucy M. Elliott.

The *Annual Report* of the Louisiana State Museum for 1918 shows a commendable activity on the part of the curators and other officers. The museum was established in the Place D'Armes to preserve historical documents, relics, books, works of art and specimens of minerals, plants and animals. Its ambition is to preserve a material history of the state. It employs a field collector in history and an historical assistant. Among the full page illustrations in the report are a full length portrait of John M. Slidell; a Choctaw Village, 1850; and the Battle of New Orleans from a sketch made in 1815.

The *Fifth and Sixth Annual Reports of the State Fire Marshal*, H. H. Friedley, for 1917 and 1918 are issued in a separate pamphlet. The total fires listed for 1917 numbered 5764 entailing a property loss of \$6,179,436. In 1918 the number of fires was 4,967 with a loss of \$7,055,090. The city of Clinton sustained the highest per capita loss, \$41.40. Most of these

fires are shown to be preventable and the marshal is carrying on a fire-prevention propaganda.

Papers of the Bibliographical Society of America. Vol. XIII.

Part I, 1919. *Daniel Webster's Speeches.* By CLIFFORD CLAPP. University of Chicago Press. 1919 pp. 85. price \$1.10.

The writer has made no effort to write a biography of Webster but merely to list with care the published speeches, separate and in collections, as they have been issued. For any one interested in making a collection of Webster material or a study of the great orator this booklet will be a valuable aid. Brief comment concerning the character and occasion of each speech is made.

The Tennessee Magazine of History for April contains an article by Samuel C. Williams on the Henderson Land Company's activity in Tennessee and an article by J. Tyree Fain on Some Confusing Statements in Ramsay's *Annals*. The latter article is especially interesting in discussing the confusion of names among the Tipton family from which John Tipton of Indiana is descended. Dr. W. A. Provine succeeds St. George L. Sioussat as editor.

THE *Michigan History Magazine* for July 1919 is taken up largely with the state activities in collecting war materials. Besides this is an article by Judge John L. Stone on the Upper Peninsula.

THE *Catholic Historical Review* for July--October contains the biographies of three eminent Catholics, Firmin, Francisco de Lasnen of early California, Cuthbert Fenwick a pioneer of Maryland and Paul de Saint Pierre the first German-American priest of the west. The latter was at Cahokia 1785-1789, at St. Genevieve 1789-1797 and at Iberville 1804-1826. Before coming to Cahokia he had been a chaplain in the French army in America under Rochambeau.

Miscellanies of the Wyoming Historical Society 1919 contains articles on the Early Newspapers of Wyoming, the Wheatland Colony, Story of the Lost Cabin Mines and the Texas Trail.

William and Mary's College Quarterly edited by Lyon G.